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# H.RES. 961 – Commending the Alaska Army National Guard for its service to the State of Alaska and the citizens of the United States

#### FLOOR SITUATION

H.Res. 961 is being considered on the floor under suspension of the rules and will require a two-thirds majority vote for passage. This legislation was introduced by Representative Don Young (R-AK) on . The resolution was referred to the House Committee on Armed Services, but was never considered.

H.Res. 961 is expected to be considered on the floor of the House on February, 25 2008.

#### **SUMMARY**

H.Res. 961 resolves that the House of Representatives:

- Commends the 3rd Battalion, 297th Infantry of the Alaska Army National Guard upon its completion of deployment and brave service to the Commonwealth of Alaska and the citizens of the United States; and
- Directs the Clerk of the House of Representatives to transmit a copy of this resolution to the Adjutant General of the Alaska National Guard for appropriate display.

## BACKGROUND

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion of the 297<sup>th</sup> Infantry of the Alaskan National Guard was composed of Alaskans from 80 different communities across the state of Alaska, and included 75 soldiers originally from New York, Mississippi, Illinois, Georgia and Puerto Rico.

Soldiers from the 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion of the 297<sup>th</sup> Infantry were deployed to Camp Virginia, Camp Navstar, and Camp Buehring in Northern Kuwait where they performed route and perimeter security missions, mounted combat patrols, inspections, and searches of vehicles going into Iraq from Kuwait. Over the 12 months that these soldiers were stationed in Kuwait and Iraq, they inspected and searched over 30,000 semi-trucks.

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